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Question 1

General Information

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Question 2

Who is the primary Member of Congress sponsoring the project?

Member of Congress:	Cassidy, Bill
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Question 3

Is this project located in your Congressional District?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No
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Question 4

Will other Members of Congress be submitting project requests supporting the project?

- ☒ Yes
The other Members submitting requests supporting the project are:
Note: Hold down CTRL to multiple selections
Melancon, Charlie

☐ No

Question 5

What type of eligible project under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the U.S. Code is the project request? Note: The Committee will not accept requests for non-surface transportation projects, such as

transportation museums, as part of the High Priority Projects program.

☒ **Federal-aid Highway**

☒ **Highway/road**

Located on a Federal-aid highway?

☒ **Yes**

Located on the National Highway System?

☐ **Yes**

☒ **No**

☐ **No**

☐ **Bridge**

☐ **Tunnel**

☐ **Bicycle/Pedestrian project**

☐ **Intelligent Transportation System (Technology) project**

☐ **Ferry Boats or Ferry Boat Facilities**

☐ **Intermodal Freight Facility**

☐ **Other**

☐ **Public Transit** [What is the definition of public transit?](#)

☐ **Rail**

☐ **Research**

Question 6

Did the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, or State Department of Transportation, or public transit agency confirm that the project is eligible under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the United States Code?

☒ **Yes**

Which entity confirmed the project eligibility?

State Department of Transportation

Name Michael Schiro

Position Deputy Assistant Secretary, Louisiana DOTD

Phone 225-379-1956

☐ **No**

Question 7

Please identify the state, regional, or local governmental entity that is an eligible recipient of the funds.

☒ **Highways**

State Department of Transportation:

Note: If a project is a multi-state project, please select the State Department of Transportation which will serve as the lead agency for the project.

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development - Highways

☐ **Public Transit**

☐ **Rail**

Question 8

Please identify the specific segment or activity for which project funding is requested. The request must finance at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity by either (1) the amount requested by the Member; or (2) the amount requested by the Member and other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources.

Project description:

Please use words like: Construct, Plan, Design, Engineer, Conduct Environmental Review, Acquire Right-of-way, Conduct Alternatives Analysis, Research, Develop, Demonstrate, Deploy, Reconstruct, Rehabilitate, Replace, Retrofit, Install, Mitigate, Implement, Realign

Acquire right-of-way, design, engineer, relocate utilities, and construction of LA Highway 42 from a two lane facility to a four lane median section. The project limits extend from LA Highway 44 to Old Jefferson Highway.

Total estimated cost 50000000

Note: please write out in numeral form (2000000 not \$2 million)

Request amount 37755000

Note: please write out in numeral form (e.g., \$2,000,000, not \$2 million)

Percentage of total estimated cost 100%

Additional Funding Sources

Source	Amount of Funding
SAFETEA-LU ID#114	8000000
110-161 Funds ID#199	245000
State Transportation Safety Funds	4000000

Question 9

If you are requesting funding for a specific segment or activity, please describe the overall project of which this segment/activity is a part.

Project description N/A - Requested amount required to complete entire project.

Note: limit your response to 3-4 sentences; up to 500 characters

Total estimated cost

Question 10

10. Is the project included in the State's Long-Range Transportation Plan?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Question 11

11. Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and/or State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Question 12

If the project is an intercity passenger rail project, is it included in the State Rail Plan?

- ☒ Not Applicable
☐ Yes
☐ No

Question 13

Please describe the current status of the project and the expected schedule for its completion.

- ☒ **Federal-aid Highway**
In Environmental Review
☐ **Public Transit**
☐ **Rail**
☐ **Research**

What is the expected date of completion of the project for which you are requesting funding?

2014

Question 14

Please provide a letter of support from a state, regional, or local governmental official specifically supporting the project request. **This letter should discuss the merits of the project; specify the process to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the project; and identify the other sources of Federal, state, or private funding that will be used to complete this project or project phase. This letter must contain an explicit statement of support for the project. In addition, if the Member is requesting less than 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity, the letter must identify other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources that, combined with the Member request, equal at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost.**

Currently: [letters/bill_cassidy/MartinezLA42.pdf](#)

Change:

Question 15

Does the project have regional or national significance? [What is the definition of a project of regional or national significance?](#)

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
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Question 16

Describe the safety, economic development, mobility, and environmental benefits associated with completion of the project.

Safety Benefits: Please describe the safety benefits

Note: Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters).

These improvements would allow for reduction in accidents and provide seamless traffic flow.

Economic Development Benefits: Please describe the economic development benefits.

Note: Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters).

These improvements will provide opportunities for new development and existing businesses by allowing easy access and constant traffic flow.

Mobility Benefits: Please describe the mobility benefits.

Note: Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters).

These improvements will provide continuous traffic flow and easy access for entering and exiting from other major arteries.

Environmental Benefits: Please describe the environmental benefits.

Note: Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters).

These improvements will reduce the amount of exhaust fumes into the environment due to the tremendous traffic back up from the traffic volume.

Question 17

Has the project previously received any Federal funding?

- ☒ Yes

☒ Surface Transportation Authorization Act(s)☒ Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (P.L.109-59)Section
1702Project Number
2470

Amount of Funding

☐ Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21) (P.L. 105-178)☐ National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 (NHS Act) (P.L. 104-59)☐ Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) (P.L. 102-240)☒ Appropriations Act(s)Public Law Name
2008 Consolidated Appropriations ActPublic Law Number
PL 110-161Section
Surface Transportation ProjectsProject Number
199☐ Other Legislation☐ No

Question 18

Has the project received any prior funding from a State, local, or private source?

☒ Yes

Source	Amount of Funding	Amount Obligated
Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development	4000000	0

☐ No

Question 19

Please provide the proposed legislative text (in no more than 250 characters) of the project as you would like it to appear in the bill.

Note: Please note that project line items carry the force of law, and can only be amended through subsequent public laws. If Congressional intent (as established through answers listed on this form, or in letters to the Committee) is different from the legislative text, the entity administering the project is required to adhere to the statutory language.)

Widen LA Highway 42 from LA Highway 44 to Old Jefferson Highway, Ascension Parish, including design, engineer, right of way acquisition, relocation of utilities, construction and inspection.

Please review and finalize your answers to the above questions before moving on to the Certification phase of the program where you can print your submission. Once moving to the Certification phase, you will NOT be able to amend your answers.

☒ Submit for Certification